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Preliminary Work Begins for Improvement Project along the Eastbound Kennedy Expressway

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that preliminary work will take place for an improvement project on the inbound Kennedy Expressway (Interstate 90/94) from Cumberland Avenue to Harlem Avenue, in Chicago, beginning, weather permitting, Tuesday, October 4.

The preliminary work will require temporary lane closures along the inbound Kennedy Expressway, as well as at the ramps to and from Cumberland Avenue and the inbound Kennedy Expressway. The right shoulder on the inbound Kennedy also will be closed.

The overall project includes construction of an additional lane along the inbound Kennedy Expressway from Cumberland Avenue to Harlem Avenue, as well as the installation of new retaining walls and lighting.

Additional closures will be scheduled for spring and summer of next year, when the majority of work will take place. The overall project is expected to be completed in Fall 2017.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click [here](#) to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com

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